# **City of Fort Lauderdale**

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# **Meeting Minutes**

Tuesday, December 3, 2019
4:00 PM

## OR AS SOON THEREAFTER AS POSSIBLE City Commission Conference Room

## **COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY BOARD**

FORT LAUDERDALE COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

DEAN J. TRANTALIS - Chair ROBERT L. McKINZIE - Vice Chair HEATHER MORAITIS - Commissioner - District I STEVEN GLASSMAN - Commissioner - District IV BEN SORENSEN - Commissioner - District IV

CHRIS LAGERBLOOM, Executive Director JOHN HERBST, City Auditor JEFFREY A. MODARELLI, Secretary ALAIN E. BOILEAU, General Counsel

## **CALL TO ORDER**

Chair Trantalis called the meeting to order at 4:39 p.m.

## **ROLL CALL**

**Present** 5 - Commissioner Heather Moraitis, Commissioner Steven Glassman, Vice Chair Robert L. McKinzie, Commissioner Ben Sorensen, and Chair Dean J. Trantalis

## **QUORUM ESTABLISHED**

Also Present: Executive Director Chris Lagerbloom, Secretary Jeffrey A. Modarelli, General Counsel Alain E. Boileau, City Auditor John Herbst and Sergeant at Arms Luan Malushi

#### **MOTIONS**

**M-1** <u>19-1207</u>

Motion to Approve Minutes for November 19, 2019 Community Redevelopment Agency (CRA) Board Meeting - (Commission Districts 2 and 3)

Vice Chair McKinzie made a motion to approve this item and was seconded by Commissioner Sorensen.

#### **APPROVED**

**Aye:** 5 - Commissioner Moraitis, Commissioner Glassman, Vice Chair McKinzie, Commissioner Sorensen and Chair Trantalis

#### **RESOLUTIONS**

**R-1** 19-1172

Resolution Approving Budget Amendment - Recognition of Unanticipated Revenue and Increase Appropriation to Community Investment Plan (CIP) - (Commission District 3)

Commissioner Sorensen introduced this item which was read by title only.

#### **ADOPTED**

**Aye:** 5 - Commissioner Moraitis, Commissioner Glassman, Vice Chair McKinzie, Commissioner Sorensen and Chair Trantalis

R-2 19-1061 Resolution Approving an Interlocal Agreement (ILA) to Extend the Duration of the Beach Area of the Community Redevelopment Agency (CRA) on a Non-Tax Increment Finance (TIF) Basis for up to

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Three Years to Allow for the Completion of CRA-Funded Beach Area Projects - (Commission District 2)

Chair Trantalis noted the recommendation from the Beach Redevelopment Advisory Board (BRAB) to continue the City's Tax Incremental Financing. Executive Director Chris Lagerbloom explained that would be discussed in the spring and is not what the Resolution addresses. The Resolution addresses an Interlocal Agreement (ILA) with Broward County (County) for completion of Beach Community Redevelopment Agency (CRA) projects. In response to Chair Trantalis' question, Executive Director Lagerbloom confirmed the County as the appropriate authority.

Commissioner Glassman noted the ability to extend up to three (3) years. In response to Commissioner Glassman's question regarding an estimated time for completing Beach CRA projects, Don Morris, Economic and Beach Redevelopment Area Manager, Beach Area Community Redevelopment Agency, said there are two projects anticipated to extend beyond the original October 1, 2020 deadline. These include the State Road A1A Project and the Aquatic Complex. It is anticipated that the State Road A1A Project would go out to bid within approximately one (1) month and its completion is expected to take one (1) year. Mr. Morris said that an estimated completion date for the Aquatic Complex is expected in the second half of 2021. Comments ensued on this timeline.

In order to shorten the Aquatic Complex completion timeline, Commissioner Glassman recommended mobilizing in a manner similar to the completion of projects in time for this year's Boat Show. Comment and discussion ensued. Mr. Morris explained details related to additional Aquatic Complex work, including the diving platform, the new building on the south side and restructuring the amenity deck near the bathrooms. A more accurate timeline will be available once an amended contract and schedule are in place.

Vice Chair McKinzie commented on the amount of changes made to the Aquatic Complex. Mayor Trantalis concurred. Further comment ensued.

Mr. Morris said the Beach CRA Plan (Plan) would be processed in January 2020. The City has sixty (60) days to provide an amendment after the County has approved the Plan.

In response to Chair Trantalis' question regarding the BRAB continuing in a monitoring role following the sunsetting of the Beach CRA, discussion ensued. Chair Trantalis said this would be addressed when the Beach CRA sunsets. General Counsel Alain Boileau said there was not an automatic sunsetting of the BRAB. Further comment and discussion ensued.

Commissioner Glassman introduced this item which was read by title only.

#### **ADOPTED**

**Aye:** 5 - Commissioner Moraitis, Commissioner Glassman, Vice Chair McKinzie, Commissioner Sorensen and Chair Trantalis

#### **R-3** 19-1104

Resolution Authorizing the Fort Lauderdale Community
Redevelopment Agency to Enter into a Broward County
Redevelopment Program Interlocal Agreement - NE 4th Avenue
Complete Street Project - (Commission District 2)

In response to Commissioner Glassman's question regarding the total cost of this item, Executive Director Lagerbloom said the cost is \$1,482,652, as noted on page two of the Commission Agenda Memo.

Vice Chair McKinzie commented on the confusing nature of the title and its reference to the *Fort Lauderdale Community Redevelopment Agency (Fort Lauderdale CRA)*, noting the need for clarification. Executive Director confirmed earlier discussions with Vice Chair McKinzie on this topic, confirming going forward that it would be clarified and annotated.

Assistant City Attorney D'Wayne Spence explained that there is one (1) Fort Lauderdale CRA consisting of three (3) areas within the City: the Beach CRA; the Northwest-Progresso-Flagler Heights CRA; and the Central City CRA. Executive Director Lagerbloom confirmed. Going forward items in this area of the Fort Lauderdale CRA would be annotated and referred to as the Central City CRA. Mr. Morris confirmed he has responsibility for management of the Central City CRA though not formally staffed.

Vice Chair McKinzie discussed the inability of bicyclists and handicapped individuals to safely navigate along NE 13th Street, expounding on details. Further comment and discussion ensued. Commissioner Glassman thanked Vice Chair McKinzie for his input. Commissioner Glassman requested Mr. Morris address Vice Chair McKinzie's comments.

Commissioner Glassman introduced this item which was read by title only.

## **ADOPTED**

Aye: 5 - Commissioner Moraitis, Commissioner Glassman, Vice Chair McKinzie, Commissioner Sorensen and Chair Trantalis

**R-4** <u>19-1149</u>

Resolution Approving Budget Amendment - Appropriation of Grant Funding - NE 4th Avenue Complete Street Project - (Commission District 2)

Commissioner Sorensen introduced this item which was read by title only.

## **ADOPTED**

Aye: 5 - Commissioner Moraitis, Commissioner Glassman, Vice Chair McKinzie, Commissioner Sorensen and Chair Trantalis

## **ADJOURNMENT**

Chair Trantalis adjourned the meeting at 4:54 p.m.

Dean J. Trantalis
Chair
ATTEST:

Jeffrey A. Modarelli CRA Secretary